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Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1915.

It is said that prosperity is heading this way at last. Let 'er come.

We wonder if Japan will be able to turn Turtle Bay in lower California.

Huerta now says he did not murder Madero, that he knows who did but can't divulge the secret.

Charlotte is getting ready to celebrate the May 20 myth. We hope Major Hemphill will be on hand.

Consistency is indeed a rare jewel when it comes to one politician criticizing another.

Lancaster needs a curb market, where farmers may sell their produce direct to consumers.

The Anderson Mail says it knows of a preacher whose congregation expresses its approval of his sermons by nodding.

The Newberry Observer remarks very pertinently that while cotton has gone to nine cents it didn't go so high until it had gone out of the hands of the farmers.

We wish for John Bunny a complete restoration to health. Not to be greeted at times by this king of fun-makers, would cause one almost to quit the movies.

The annual reunion of the Confederate veterans of South Carolina is to be held in Columbia this week. May the soldiers of the sixties renew their youth even as they renew the friendships of long ago and may their last days be filled with peace.

Good cotton is now bringing ten cents on the market. This may be a good price at which to sell cotton now on hand, but no farmer will be wise to increase his acreage of the staple just because of the temporary rise in price.

The Death of Col. A. B. Andrews, first vice president of the Southern Railway, is not only a loss to that great railway system, but to the South as well. Colonel Andrews was a loyal citizen of the South.

Governor Craig of North Carolina has refused to pardon Wilcox, who has served twelve years of a thirty year sentence for murdering Nellie Crosskey. The murderer gets his dues in the Old North State, even as he is beginning to in South Carolina.

Governor Manning vetoed the appointment of Dr. Sargeant as Superintendent of the Asylum because it violated the constitution. Our present governor has more respect for the organic law than one of his recent predecessors who was wont to say, "To hell with the constitution."

Many rural schools are closing and the boys and girls who have learned lessons from their books are being given a chance to gain knowledge of another kind. We hope that they and their teachers as well, will spend a happy, profitable vacation.

We are being constantly pined with the question as to when the war will end. Newspaper editors are supposed to know everything, but we must confess this question gets us. Perhaps the well-informed president of the State Press Association has some definite information on the subject not in our possession.

We are beginning to hear mutterings of discontent from Governor Manning's political rivals, particularly from one who acted in a "shut-mouth" manner when Manning ran against Richards in the second primary. We venture the prediction that none of these malcontents will ever be governor of South Carolina.

GOVERNOR MANNING.

Governor Manning is being criticized and quite sharply by many original supporters for his "slip-up" in the matter of appointing a new superintendent for the Hospital for the Insane at Columbia. While it is regrettable that the governor did not examine the state constitution before making the appointment of a new superintendent, yet he is to be excused in view of the fact that he was looking for what the institution has long been in need of, an expert alienist. And as no alienist could be found in the state, it was natural for him to look without the state, as Senator Tillman, when governor, did when he gave Doctor Babcock the appointment in the early nineties. Tillman's appointment was constitutional, having been made under the constitution of 1868, which had no such foolish provision as the present constitution which does not permit the governor to go out of the state in making a selection of a superintendent for the Hospital. And then there is also dissatisfaction because the governor made the salary \$6,000 per annum, double the amount allowed by law. We are not altogether sure that the governor did not make a mistake in doing this. Inasmuch as he could not find an alienist in the state and had to appoint a good physician, we think it would have been better to have found one who was willing to serve for \$3,000, and if the salary was to be increased the next legislature could have increased it. However, we have no quarrel with Governor Manning about the matter. His motives are good in seeking to do his very best for the eighteen hundred poor unfortunate people for whose welfare he is responsible. There is one thing about Governor Manning which has impressed us more than any other, and that is that he is administering the office of Chief Magistrate of the state according to his own ideas of his duty to the people and not according to the notions of the professional politicians. It is evident that he is not bent so much on making his administration popular. His aim, rather, has been to act in the interest of the people rather than in his own interest. Unlike his predecessor, ex-Governor Bleuse, he is not trying to reward his friends and punish his enemies. In his appointments to office, fitness for the position to be filled comes before all other considerations. The Jacksonian slogan "to the victors belong the spoils" is not uppermost in Mr. Manning's mind. Like our great president, he realizes the high trust that has been imposed upon him by the people and he is striving in his own way to do his duty as God has given him to see it.

HAVE A PASTURE.

Every farmer in Lancaster county should have a pasture for his cattle and hogs, and even though he has not yet made arrangements for one, there is still time to provide pasturage. The Anderson Intelligencer says there are three reasons why there are so few pastures and the three reasons may be summed up in the single word, "Cotton." The Intelligencer continues:
"We can, if we want to, have pastures the whole year round. The clovers, the vetches, rape, rye, oats, barley and other things will furnish an abundant winter vegetation.
"But the cheapest, the easiest to have, and the most profitable of all is the summer pasture. And if a man wants a summer pasture, he may have it by stirring himself just a bit during either the months of April or May.
"The land ought to be well broken and nicely pulverized. Then laid off in checks about two to three feet apart. One or two sprigs of burmuda grass stuck down in each check. And then in some wet spell in June or July throw about seventy-five or one hundred pounds of nitrate of soda per acre on it and you've got it.
"Any piece of land treated that way will be ready to give back some very good grazing in August and September. If it is fertile land, it will give a considerable amount of grazing the very first year.
"Old burmuda sods should be broken up every two or three years and treated with a slight dressing of nitrate of soda. By breaking them up you get two beneficial results. One is that the burmuda will itself do much better. The land gets hard and stiff and the grass is retarded in its growth, but by breaking the soil, the grass is sent on its way rejoicing. Then also by breaking up the land in early spring, you get the benefit of other grasses. Crab grass will not grow scarcely at all on hard uncultivated land, but is luxuriant on land that is cultivated. And crab grass is a very sweet and nutritious food for either hogs or cattle. So by breaking it up, you reap the benefit of two good grasses instead of one."

HAS LEARNED A LESSON.

We had a conversation a few days ago with a farmer of the county, who said he had been taught a lasting lesson by the prevailing hard times caused by the war in Europe. He told us he planted twenty acres of his land in cotton last year and made eighteen bales thereon, but that owing to the big debt he had contracted for its production and the low price he got for the crop he was not able to pay a \$400 balance of a mortgage on his land. He said he tried to borrow money last fall but could not get it anywhere. When his taxes, amounting to \$35, became due, he was at a loss to know what to do. He was almost on the point of selling out and moving to the cotton mill. But he managed at last to think a way out of the difficulty. He had several head of hogs, cows, and some farm produce. He sold some of these, paid his taxes and the interest on his land debt and has made the balance run his farm up to the present time. He further says that he expects to owe very little on the crop he makes this year and that God being his helper, he is going to keep out of debt in the future. In the fall of the year he planted oats and wheat and will plant only half as much cotton as he planted last year. He says if he had been economical during the past ten years he would have been a man of means today. This farmer says he has learned a lesson he will never forget but that it took a world-wide war to teach it.

Now that the Barnes-Roosevelt damage suit is now on at Syracuse, N. Y., the war in Europe must temporarily step aside.

The Greenville Piedmont says The Charlotte Observer sizes up Mr. Bryan as "both prohibitionist and politician." If we remember correctly it was The Columbia State that sized up The Observer as an "Assistant Republican."

ELLIOTT-HARDIN.

Former Lancaster Girl to Wed in Greenville.

The hosts of relatives and friends in Lancaster will be interested in the wedding of Miss Ruby Elliott, formerly of Lancaster, and Mr. E. E. Hardin, which will be solemnized at the home of the bride's parents in Greenville tomorrow evening. Of the wedding plans and the guests in Greenville for the happy event, The Greenville Piedmont of yesterday says:

"An event of social interest this week will be the beautiful home wedding of Miss Ruby Elliott to Mr. E. E. Hardin, which will take place at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Elliott, on River street.

"Miss Elliott will have as her maid of honor, Miss Della Russell, while little Miss Elizabeth Carnes of Lancaster, cousin of the bride-to-be, will act as flower girl and little Miss Charlotte Porter, also of Lancaster, and a little cousin of Miss Elliott will be ring bearer.

"Miss Elliott is the eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Elliott and a young lady of charming personality. Her many friends here are delighted that her marriage will not take her out of Greenville.
"Mr. Hardin holds a responsible position with the local office of the Southeastern Life Insurance Company and has a host of friends here who wish him every happiness.

"The following guests are here for the Elliott-Hardin wedding, which will take place at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Elliott, Wednesday evening: Mrs. J. O. Porter and little Miss Charlotte Porter, Mrs. J. H. Carnes and little Miss Elizabeth Carnes, Mrs. T. L. Hilton, all of Lancaster.
"Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Duffie and Miss Nelle Duffie of Westminster will arrive tomorrow.

"Mr. B. H. Hardin of Columbia, brother of the groom-to-be, will also arrive in the city tomorrow or Wednesday to attend the wedding."

BURIED AT HEATH SPRING.

Funeral of Philip T. Cauthen Held at Home.

Heath Spring Special to The State, April 17.—The remains of Philip T. Cauthen, who died in Columbia April 14, were brought here for interment in the Bennett cemetery on the early train Friday morning. The burial service was conducted at the grave by the Rev. J. W. H. Dyches, D. D., pastor of the Baptist church. Mr. Cauthen was about 63 years of age and was brought up at this place. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Wesley Beckham of Pleasant Hill, and a brother, Prof. E. F. Cauthen of the Alabama Agricultural College. The latter being on a sick furlough in Texas, could not attend the funeral. The remains were accompanied here by a nephew of the deceased, Hazel Cauthen of Fort Mott.

But Emphasis is His Forte. If the Reverend Willie Sunday would be a trifle less emphatic.—The State.

FROM OTHER PAPERS

The Iceman's Joy
The iceman sings his merrily song quite merrily once more.—Greenwood Journal.

Would Billy Tackle the Job?
If Billy Sunday can reform Pater-son, N. J., there is hope for even Charleston.—Greenville Piedmont.

Jail Him.
Arrest and jail the first fellow that talks hard times, depression or any thing but progress and good business.—Salsbury Post.

Remember This.
One swallow does not make a summer, neither will one little advertisement bring a whole season of business prosperity.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

Go Slow.
Go slow on cotton and prices will stay up. Plant the same old acreage and your crop will be bought again round six cents.—Florence Times.

Pity the Poor Thing.
Pity the large footed girl. If she wears the fashionable short skirt she gives herself away, and if she doesn't wear it everybody knows why.—News and Courier.

May His Tribe Increase.
The Union man who refused a lucrative government position because he believed himself incapacitated by lack of experience to fill it deserves much commendation. It is a great pity that we haven't more like him.—Laurens Advertiser.

Why We Must Fight.
Fighting evil in the city or anywhere for that matter, is precisely like fighting weeds in a rank soil—you're never done with the job. Still the weeds must be fought or they would soon choke out all that we value.—Spartanburg Herald.

Don't Be Fooled.
It is to be hoped that the present high price of cotton will not fool the farmers of this section into planting another large crop this year. Who knows but that the present high price is for that especial purpose? The farmers of the South don't want to make the mistake this year of planting too large a crop. It would be a costly mistake to make.—Spartanburg Journal.

Growth of Southern Power Company
We are informed that the engineers began surveying at Great Falls yesterday morning, this being the case the actual work on the new power plant should begin at an early date. It is estimated the pay roll will run from eight to twelve thousand dollars per week when the work gets under full way.—Chester News.

Most Likely.
A correspondent wishes to know what colors should be worn by a suffragant, that is, the husband of a militant suffragette. "Possibly black and blue," suggests The Pittsburg Gazette Times.

NEGROES SHOOT AT CONDUCTOR
Captain Penny's Experience Last Night.

On his first regular trip since his recent illness, Capt. D. E. Penny, the popular conductor on the Lancaster & Chester Railway, had an experience with some passengers last night which might have proved serious. Four negro men went over to Fort Lawn yesterday presumably to find work at the new dam near Great Falls, and tried to beat their way back to Lancaster. When they refused to pay their fare Captain Penny had the train stopped and put them off at Miller's crossing, whereupon they began to shoot at the train. Fortunately nobody was hurt. The negroes were strangers in these parts. It is hoped they will yet be apprehended.

The man who thinks he has no chance is always the man without money in the Bank

"He has wrenched the knocker from his door, stuffed his ears with cotton-wool and cannot hear opportunity when she does summon."

The man with money in the bank always has the latch-string out for Opportunity. Come in and talk it over.

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"A PAIR OF COUNTRY KIDS."

Play to be Given at Dixie School Friday Night at 8:15.

The following is the cast of characters of the play which will be given at Dixie school house Friday night at 8:15:

- Hi Haskins—One of the Country Kids
- Lewis Clyburn
- Ezea Simpson—The Country Squire
- Theodore Steels
- Jack Sharpe—A Young Detective
- Howard Porter
- Richard Mannering—The One Who Makes all the Trouble
- Ben Clyburn
- Tug and Chub—Two of Mannering's Tools
- John Porter, Lee Usher
- Trixie—The Other One of the "Kids"
- Bessye Barr
- Alice Simpson—The Squire's Adopted Daughter
- Louise Porter
- Aunt Melinda—Aged, but still in the Matrimonial Market
- Louzetta Steele

In addition to the play there will be two pantomimes and a recitation by Eunice Steele, Ruby Steele and Bessye Thompson. Everybody invited. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

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